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deal with the correspondence. Captain Lee has shown himself admirably suited to the task he undertakes. The book will add to the fame even of General Lee. Every life written of him would leave the impression of his being far removed from all coarseness and harshness; but one will have to read this book to see General Lee in all his greatness—the greatness of his love. Good will is stamped on every page, while many pages are luminous with kindness and affection. Enemies are forgiven, friends are cherished, relatives are enshrined in the inmost soul.

The book shows how well rounded a character General Lee had. In every respect he was great. Men did not have to say of him, he was brave but—; he had military genius but—; he was a patriot but—; he loved his fellow-men but—. Ah, that fatal but; how many characters it has disfigured! The South has the glory of pointing to her representative man and saying to all the world, "There he is, behold him and judge for yourselves." A civilization that could produce such a man could not have been wanting in any essential element. Just one sentiment of General Lee received into the heart and acted upon in the life would of itself lift a man far above the crowd: "Human virtue should always be equal to human calamity."

B. H. Hill, of Georgia said, "Lee was Cæsar without his crimes, Bonaparte without his ambition, and George Washington without his crown of success." Yes, he was without his crown of success; but what is that? An incident, a bauble compared with that Lee had attained. Washington returning in triumph from Yorktown was no more glorious than Lee returning in defeat from Appomattox.

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DIGEST OF THE DECISIONS OF THE COURTS OF LAST RESORT OF THE SEVERAL STATES FROM 1887 TO 1904, contained in the American State Reports, Volumes 1 to 96 inclusive, and of the notes to the cases reported therein. In three volumes. By Edmund Samson Green, author of "Complete Texas Digest." Bancroft-Whitney Company. San Francisco: 1904.

A safe and true guide to the wealth of legal learning contained in the American State Reports will be given a warm welcome to book shelves of every lawyer. A good digest brings to surface the rich ore from the mines of legal lore, while the bad digest leaves the ore hidden and forever useless to mankind. A practical test of Mr. Green's work shows that he has done much to make available the principles elucidated in that wonderfully useful series of reports. No digest of the decisions of the states is so complete and valuable.

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HANDBOOK OF THE LAW OF CONTRACTS. By Wm. D. Clark, Jr., author of Clark's Handbook of Criminal Law. Second Edition by Francis B. Tiffany. West Publishing Company. St. Paul, Minn.: 1904.

The first edition of this work was wonderfully popular. Its logical arrangement, its accurate and perspicuous statement of the law, is sufficiently attested by the fact that it has been adopted as a text-book in many of the law schools of the country. The second edition has had the advantage of having been written in the light of the suggestions made by professors of law whose frequent use of the work in the class-room has put them in position to know how the original edition could be improved. The subject of contracts is an ever recurring one with